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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendment and Remarks are submitted for entry into the present application along with the Request for Continued Prosecution under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 accompanying this paper. Accompanying this paper is a One-Month Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time setting a new time for response of October 17, 2005 (October 16, 2005 falls on a Sunday). Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.